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**AMENDMENT** 

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 31, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows. A complete set of pending claims is provided for your convenience in Appendix A attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 9, 21, 98, 100 and 107.

(Thrice Amended) A computer-implemented method for use in creating a 1. digital model of an individual component of a patient's dentition, the method comprising:

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